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CHIPS

Mrs. Ophelia R. Bryant 6432 Champlain Ave., has been confined to her house with a bad cold.

Miss Dolly Scott, 5042 Armour Ave., has been extremely ill for some time, and the doctors are fearful of her recovery.

Prof. and Mrs. Levi, 5046 Armour Ave., and their band have returned home from a four weeks' trip through Wisconsin.

Mrs. J. H. Johnson, 436 35th Street, returned home last Saturday from a six weeks' visit with friends in Hot Springs, Ark., and Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. Madison, mother of Mrs. Wm. F. Taylor, Mrs. L. N. Jones and Mrs. R. A. J. Shaw, is visiting her grandson, Master R. A. J. Shaw, Jr.

Sunday March 11th Rev. A. J. Carey, pastor of Bethel church will preach the annual sermon for the Elks who will march to the church in a body in their uniforms and regalia.

Mrs. J. C. Stewart 5434 Normal ave. who is a prominent worker in Olivet Baptist church says, that The Broad Ax is growing brighter and better each week.

Dr. D. Herbert Anderson is busy these days arranging for his coming marriage to Miss Constance Parker, who was the guest of Mrs. Dr. Bentley until recently while studying music.

Mrs. and Mrs. W. J. DeLacy, 2450 Dearborn st., who are active members of Quinn chapel, will on Wednesday evening March 14th give a party in honor of the 14th birthday of their son Master Cassius Othello DeLacy.

Last Sunday evening a very enjoyable program of music was rendered at Grace Church, under the direction of Mrs. Shelly Parker. Similar programs are to be given each month on the first Sunday evening.

Mrs. Elizabeth McDonald, 6130 Ada street, left Friday evening for Kook, Iowa, where she will spend three weeks, and during her absence she will lecture on her work in the Juvenile Court.

The H. C. Haynes Razor Strop Company, manufacturers of high grade razor strops and leather novelties, have leased the large store 3538 State street which they will fit up for a barber supply house, which will open on or about the 20th of the month.

Rev. Charles A. Harris Nortfolk, Va. brother of W. R. Harris, chief clerk for Sandy W. Trice and Company, departed this life in that city last Friday. He leaves two daughters and one son and many friends, and relatives to regret his untimely death.

Mr. Melville G. Holding who is well known throughout the Town of Lake and who is a thorough business man in every way has become the general manager of the American window Plate Glass Company with temporary offices at 16th and Canal street.

Mrs. Nellie Collins has started divorce proceedings in the Circuit court against Charles L. Collins, the barber at 5024 State St., who is also secretary of the Beneficiary Board of the Knights of Pythias and an active member in the Foresters. Hon. S. A. McElwee is attorney for Mrs. Collins.

It is said that Dr. Booker T. Washington, the president of the Tuskegee Institute, together with his family, chipped in and presented Miss Roosevelt with a costly wedding gift—but, then, Booker's money comes easy; beg it.—The Advocate, Portland, Ore.

The unleader in all its glory, which has for the past nine months, claimed to be the greatest unleader in the world, failed to come forth last week, and it was either held up by the Chicago Newspaper Union, or possibly it was due to death by the few true readers.

In Austin, Texas, the seat of the democratic household of Texas three colored men served on the jury in the case of a white man's trial. Such is justice, and coming as recognition from such source is astonishing, when we think of the way Republican bosses in Texas are acting.—The Times, Galveston, Texas.

The troubles between John H. Phillips and Charles L. Collins, growing out of some lurid remarks made by the former reflecting on the character of the latter's landlady, Mrs. J. B. Cartwright, 2306 Dearborn St., will be heard before Justice Everett Monday morning. Phillips is now under peace bonds, but is anxious to have Collins change his residence to Joliet.

Mrs. Roberts 5416 Monroe ave., passed away the latter part of last week, and on Sunday funeral services were held over her remains at the Hyde Park chapel Rev. Clarence C. Goggins officiating. Interment at Oakwood, F. A. Rawlins the popular undertaker 4834 State street had charge of the funeral. The many beautiful floral offerings were executed and furnished by Mrs. J. J. Manley.



ALDERMAN FRANK I. BENNETT.

The honorable chairman of the Finance Committee of the City Council, who successfully led the fight for the one thousand dollar license fee, and he has greatly raised himself in the estimation of all the people of Chicago.

PROF. W. E. B. DU BOIS, OR WASHINGTON—A BASIS OF RACE UNITY SUGGESTED.

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men who framed them. Who is the better man under whose lead to secure the enforcement of the amendments—Du Bois, who defends them and asks for their enforcement, or Washington, who avoids mentioning either their names or the men who framed them? Can any sane person say other than Du Bois? Assuredly not.

Then with these facts plainly before us, without entering into issues calculated to arouse personal feelings and the partisan spirit, why especially since Du Bois already has a nucleus of representative colored men in his own State and all over the country with him, should not all honest colored men who believe the race must have an apparent head in its contest for political rights, because the white Americans want to know whom to look to as our representative, why should they not pick Du Bois rather than Washington?

Of course, a large and increasing number have done and are doing this. But a large number are resisting this movement, clinging to Washington instead. Why is it not wrong, criminally wrong, in face of the danger that confronts the race to support Washington in his desire for universal leadership as against Du Bois?

We are not as indifferent as we may seem to the great need of race unity for self-defense as we may by our silence on the topic appear to be, provided it is upon a sensible basis. We agree with Editor Joseph Summers, that the seat of our opposition to Booker Washington is not his school, but his participation in our political affairs, and that we will be satisfied, and endeavor not to contend against him if he confines his activities to his enormous school. Is it not, on the other hand, the duty of our opponents to take Washington for education but Du Bois or neither for our political side? We think so.

On no other basis can honest men consent to stop the fight within the race. Our quotations have been sufficient to make it our duty to the race to contend against Washington and his followers otherwise. In fact our own freedom requires it. If the friends of Washington persist, then in sticking to Washington as the race political spokesman and leader, they compel our side to keep up a division within the race. We offer them a big place for their man. If they refuse then the entire blame for all race division is theirs and theirs alone.

This is our olive branch. We do not shrink from the contest to the bitter end if it is forced upon us, nor do we

despair of our victory in the end. We do not believe, however, in the present plight of the race that race division is justifiable unless the welfare of our race demands it. There is where we stand, where we have always, and where we will ever stand.—The Guardian, Boston, Mass.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS CENTER.

3632 Wabash Ave.

Tuesday afternoon the Woman's Club held its regular meeting and was given two papers on pure foods. The committee on Vacation Schools under the direction of Mrs. D. H. Williams has arranged for a concert at the Institutional Church Monday evening, March 19. Further notice will be given next week.

The Phyllis Wheatley Club held an unusual interesting program Wednesday afternoon. Music under the direction of Prof. N. Clark Smith and a paper by Mr. W. H. Harper. A large number of visitors were present.

Sunday 3 p. m. Rev. Joseph Stolz will speak on "Shylock; a study in prejudice." Music in charge of Miss Estella Bonds. All are invited.

The classes in Fiction, Sewing and English will meet as usual. The Boys' and Girls' Clubs will meet at the appointed times.

The class in Sociology began the study of Ruskin's "Crown of Wild Olives." Mr. French read a paper in the chapter "Work."

Friday 8 p. m. the Lyceum will meet. "D."

INTERNATIONAL-CLEVELANDS "GREATER VAUDEVILLE."

The International Theatre in Chicago is enjoying phenomenal business. The confidence of the theatre going public in Manager Cleveland's ability to give them the highest grade acts obtainable is the direct cause. It was a bold stroke to book Virginia Earle for a jump clear from New York to fill an engagement at the International during the week of March 12th, but Mr. Cleveland would be satisfied with none but the best, and the Broadway beauty is announced as the next ultra headliner. Miss Earle, who is a great favorite with Chicago audiences will bring also her company of "English Johnnies" who recently created such a furore in New York and the musical comedy act which they produce is the most novel and catching of any before the public. The other bookings are the talk of Chicago. Weedon's Lions, known the world over as the greatest collection of the "Kings of the Forest" ever subjugated and trained. Comes direct from the Cirque d'Hiver, Paris, and will be seen in thrilling performances. Lutz Brothers, famed as the greatest artists of their kind. Chief among the fun makers will be Edward Blondell and company who present the "Lost Boy," the most laughable comedy in vaudeville. Le Domino Rouge, who filled a record-breaking engagement last week, and Manager Cleveland has succeeded in having her time extended another week. The mysterious masked danseuse is the greatest hit in years. A number of the other star acts made up what is really a \$5 show at popular prices.

The matinee prices run from 10c to 25c, while the night prices are from 10c to 75c.

Eph. Thompson's big herd of famous acting and acrobatic elephants will be seen at the International very soon. The huge beasts are the greatest performers in the world and include MARY, the only elephant ever taught to turn somersaults, and JOHNIE, the original "Soldier Boy."

Sandy W. Trice & Company will

Open Their Large Department

Store on or About April 1st.

On or about April 1, Sandy W. Trice & Company, will open their large Department store, 2918 State St. The main store when completed will be 251x100 feet long and it will be stocked from end to end with everything for men, women and children to wear.

It will be first-class and up to date in every respect. At the start four clerks will be employed, one man and three ladies, and it will be the most modern and the most extensive commercial establishment conducted by Afro-American in this city or the mid. die west.

PUBLIC MEETING TO BE HELD AT INSTITUTIONAL CHURCH.

There will be a public meeting of the colored people of Chicago, under the auspices of the National Defense League, at the Institutional A. M. E. Church, 3825 Dearborn Street Monday Eve, March 12th, to take action relative to the discrimination against colored children in the Raymond Public School.

Four and Six Room Flats to Rent.

Four and six room flats to rent from \$10 to \$15 per month, 406 W. 47th st. Will rent to colored people. Apply to F. H. Ross & Company, real estate and renting agents, room 306 Roanoke Bldg., 148 La Salle st. Tel. Central 625.

LAST CARGO OF SLAVES.

Were Landed on the Coast of Georgia Some Thirty-Five Years Ago.

"The very last vessel to bring a cargo of African slaves into this country landed on the coast of Georgia in 1860," said Col. William Youngblood, of Atlanta, according to the Washington Post.

"The vessel, whose name I do not recall, was operated by two southern men, Corrie and Lamar. I think Corrie was from Charleston and his partner was from Savannah, and a member of the celebrated Lamar family. They brought over between 500 and 600 negroes from the shores of Africa, and proceeded up the Savannah river to Augusta before attempting to get rid of the slaves. There was lively bidding for the blacks by the planters of Georgia and South Carolina, and they sold like hot cakes at prices ranging from \$300 to \$800. Gen. Dearing, a prominent citizen of Edgefield county, South Carolina, bought 20 of them.

"At that time I was going to school in South Carolina, and happened to pay a visit to the home of Mrs. Tillman, the mother of the present United States senator from that state, who also lived in Edgefield county. It seems that Mrs. Tillman had been a purchaser at the sale of Corrie and Lamar, and I have a distinct recollection of being shown one of the young Senegambians that she had bought of them. He was black as midnight, and when spoken to could only grin and gesticulate. He had not learned a word of English."

REGENERATION OF RUBBER

Process by Which Resilience and Body Are Restored to Old Material.

A European process for regenerating old rubber has for its principle the separation of the caoutchouc proper contained in vulcanized rubber from the mineral and other matters which have been incorporated into it, such as sulphur, etc. The first operation, says the Scientific American, consists in dissolving the vulcanized rubber in one of the usual solvents, using petroleum preferably either alone or with benzine added to it. After treating for a certain time the insoluble matter is separated by filtering under pressure, or by a centrifugal machine. The solution when separated from the insoluble matter is evaporated to a reduced pressure and is then taken up by acetone. The liquid which is thus obtained is first boiled and then decanted off and the rubber is again taken up by an alcoholic soda solution. After boiling and pouring off a second time, the rubber is treated with boiling alcohol. After the alcohol is taken off, the rubber is washed with steam, which removes the last trace of alcohol and water it may contain.

PILES BURST INTO FLAME.

Friction Produced by Driving Through Sand Sets Them Afire.

A remarkable case of spontaneous ignition that recently occurred in erecting the walls of the new Rotterdam quay is related by the Technische Rundschau.

Rams had been used there for some time, which by 180 or 200 strokes per minute caused a steady advance of the piles. The foundation was such that the pillars had to be driven through the quicksand down to the solid ground.

On withdrawing some piles, the points of the latter were found, owing to the enormous friction, to have been charred entirely and heated to such a point as to begin burning spontaneously on coming in contact with the air; nor could iron shoes prevent this spontaneous ignition.

When leaving the piles in the ground this ignition would not result in any damage, the charring remaining confined to the surface, and the heat rapidly carried away in the moist surroundings.

MASSACHUSETTS MAYORS.

All Sorts of Occupations Represented by the Rulers of Her Cities.

Massachusetts elects its mayors on the second Tuesday in December, and elects them largely on issues not connected with national politics, says the New York Sun. Each mayor of Massachusetts is expected to be engaged in "some painful occupation."

Thus, the new mayor of Gloucester is a telegrapher; the mayor of Woburn, a heel manufacturer; the mayor of Springfield, an undertaker; the mayor of Chelsea, agent for the sale of wall paper; the mayor of Haverhill, auctioneer; the mayor of Worcester, a physician; the mayor of Malden, a manufacturer of spring mattresses; the mayor of Medford, a plumber; the mayor of Lowell, a bookkeeper; the mayor of Brockton, a foreman in a shoe factory, and the mayor of Salem, a tin snapper.

The mayor of Marlborough is a native of New York city—an unusual thing in a Massachusetts mayor.

Pocket Savings Banks.

Every hired girl in Germany has a little blank book, wherein is pasted every week a stamp worth about five cents, the gift of her mistress, says Everybody's Magazine. The government, the all-doing government, will redeem these stamps at their face value. If the hired girl falls ill her stamp book will help pay her expenses. Or she can keep it as a provision for her old age.

Islanders Leaving.

Owing to the emigration of 1,000 persons during the past three months from St. Pierre and Miquelon—lands immediately south of Newfoundland—out of a total population of 6,500, the French authorities are beginning to fear that the colony is threatened with extinction. The rush of emigration is likely to continue. The poorer inhabitants advocate the transfer of St. Pierre by France to Newfoundland.

Entitled to Honorable Mention.

"You believe in old-age pensions, do you?" said the passenger with the skull cap. "Well, that depends. Take your case, for instance. What claim have you on the country? What have you ever done or suffered for it?" "I've got the tobacco heart from contributing to its internal revenue department," said the passenger with the sandy goatee, "and I've raised 14 boys, 'gosh!'"—Chicago Tribune.

Insecure Security.

James Richardson, of Rodger Mills county, tendered a mule the other day as a chattel to a Cheyenne money lender in order to get funds with which to get a marriage license and pay the preacher. He had ridden the mule in —18 miles—and expected to walk back home in time for the wedding.—Guthrie (Okla.) Gazette.

Fortune Made Miser.

Father Aeb, a noted miser, has died at Berne, age 70. When he was 22 a fortune was bequeathed him, and from being a spendthrift he at once became a miser. He lived on bread and water at a cost of three cents a day, and left \$750,000. The sum of \$100,000 in gold and silver was found under his bedroom floor.

Getting Her Loquacious.

"My daughter is so taciturn," complained Mrs. Blankton-Black. "What ought I to do? Consult some specialist?"

"Not at all, not at all," replied Mr. Worldly-Wiseguy. "Have her given instruction in whist and take her frequently to the opera."

Silver from Volcanoes.

Silver has been thrown out by volcanoes in two instances recorded by J. W. Mallet. Ash from an eruption of Cotopaxi in 1835 showed one part of silver in 83,000 and that ejected in 1836 by Tungurague, in the Andes of Ecuador, contained one part of silver in 107,200.

Skeleton Scare.

The shadow of a dangling skeleton on a window shade created great excitement in a London street the other night. An inquiring policeman learned that an ambulance doctor was delivering a lecture on first aid to a roomful of railway employees.

Oldest Government Clerk.

J. J. Miller is the oldest clerk in the service of the national government. For more than 60 years he has been connected with the life saving service. He was born in Philadelphia in 1821, and educated in the private schools of that city.

Up-to-Date Indians.

The Indians of Elko, Nev., have abandoned the dances of their forefathers, have built a dance hall, and recently gave a ball, at which they and their squaws and many invited pale-faces waltzed in the most modern fashion.

Cross-Breeding Plants.

It is only within a century that hybridization or the cross-breeding of plants has been practiced. Yet it seems to have been in Lord Bacon's mind, as a thing to be achieved, more than 300 years ago.

Garibaldi's Gaiter.

According to La Tribuna di Roma one of the gaiters worn by Garibaldi when he was wounded in the battle of Aspromonte, August 28, 1862, has been presented to the mayor of Rome.

What's the Answer?

Johnny—Isn't a tin horn made of tin, mamma? Mamma—Certainly it is. "Then how is it that a fog horn isn't made of fog?"—N. Y. Times.

Same Old Eye.

Asked in a London court the other day where he got his black eye, the skipper of a coasting schooner replied: "Oh, that's an old one. I've had it for two years."

Pays for Killing Snakes.

In the Tyrol the government still pays for the extermination of poisonous snakes. It is the one European government which now does.

London's Charity.

London's lord mayors have during the past decade collected more than \$100,000,000 for charitable and benevolent purposes.

Nevada Auto Line.

Between Topopah and Manhattan, Nev., 50 miles, there is an automobile service. Round trip, \$25.

Always Ugly.

The meanest thing about the average mother-in-law is her son-in-law.—N. O. Picayune.

"David" Nation.

Japan is 80 times smaller than Russia, and her population one-third that of the latter.

DOG'S HERDING INSTINCT.

Incident Illustrating How It Manifests Itself in Looking After Hens as Well as Sheep.

The way the instinct for herding comes out in sheep dogs is wonderful, says a New York Sun writer. I once had a young collie given to me. He was only six months old and had never received any training or seen other dogs managing a band of sheep.

I had gone out of sheep at the time and there was nothing about the ranch, apparently, for him to do. The puppy moped about for a week or ten days. Then a happy thought struck him.

There were the hens! From that day on he never failed to herd the hens regularly. He would be on the watch for them when they emerged from their house on the side of the gumbo bank after feeding in the morning and would assume charge of them for the rest of the day.

Collecting them in front of him, he would drive them, a clucking, waddling, protesting band, out about half a mile on to the prairie. While they ran about after insects or pecked at the weeds and grass he sauntered about on the outskirts, keeping a vigilant eye on every pullet and rooster.

And punctually an hour before sunset he would gather them up into a compact little group and drive them home. This self-appointed task he performed with the greatest system of thoroughness, displaying all the highest gifts of the sheep dog—fidelity, judgment, tact, conscience.

He was a most engaging little rascal, and I grieved for him as if he had been a human when, after a few months, he ate wolf poison and died.

MEMBER OF NOTED COMPANY

The Lady Washington, in Which a New York Fireman Gained Distinction.

Hugh Bonner, deputy fire commissioner, became a member of the old volunteer fire department in 1860, and as a member of the Lady Washington Engine company gained his first distinction as a fire fighter, relates the New York Sun.

The Lady Washington, known to all New York vamps, was a Fourteenth ward company, stationed in Mulberry street, between Broome and Spring, in the heart of a neighborhood which developed more active politicians at the period of its prominence than any other ward of New York, except the Sixth. From it John Kelly, Daniel O'Reilly, Judge John Hayes, Judge Clancy and James J. Hayes came originally. It was a district noted for fire fighters as well as for politicians, and sometimes the two were combined.

The Lady Washington was the chief of the engine companies in the Fourteenth ward, as the Columbian (No. 9), having its house with 40 on Mulberry street, was the hose company, and the Hibernia (18), on Mott street, was the hook and ladder company, or truck, as the present designation is. The Lady Washington engine had a variegated history, being, in fact, the lineal descendant, as it were, of a company established in the same neighborhood in 1812, which after 30 years of activity was disbanded, to be reorganized ten years later.

ICE COATING FOR WARMTH

Fruit Cars Covered with Sheet of Frozen Water to Preserve Contents.

The use of ice for heating purposes is one of the oddities of our modern civilization. It often happens that a train carrying fruit from South America to the northern states encounters a spell of cold weather en-route. If the temperature goes below a certain point the perishable merchandise will be ruined. But it has been ascertained that such a misfortune may be prevented by covering the fruit car with a coating of ice—a thing easily accomplished by turning a hose upon it and allowing the water to freeze, until the whole vehicle is enveloped in a glassy and glittering blanket.

It may, indeed, be appropriately called a blanket, inasmuch as it prevents the radiation of heat from the interior of the car. The ice being a good non-conductor, the warmth is retained, and the fruit, or possibly it may be vegetables, goes on its way unspoiled even by zero weather.

Some trucks used for transporting oranges are often fitted with "ice stoves," which, while useful during hot weather as refrigerators, are filled with ice during the cold weather.

Dog and Snake Fight.

Two Ballarat sportsmen while on a shooting excursion to Lal Lal encountered a large snake that was attacked by a dog that accompanied them. The reptile wound itself around the dog, and an exciting fight ensued, during which the animal bit off the tail of the serpent. The sportsmen, anxious to save the dog, decided to shoot the reptile if an opportunity presented itself. This occurred when it thrust out its head over the hind quarters of the setter. The shot, however, instead of hitting the snake, entered the body of the dog, the death of which was instantaneous. The snake was then dispatched.—British Australian.

One Way to Cook a Quail.

A quail, as every one knows, is naturally one of the driest of birds, and it is always a question with cooks how best to preserve its juices. To take off the skin is to take away the greatest part of the juices, and such a quail broiled or roasted would be little better eating than cottonwood chips. In North Carolina they cook a quail in the middle of a big potato. This little receipt is worth a column on skinning quail.—Forest and Stream.